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Atty. Docket No. 42390P10447

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application for: )  
Keen W. Chan, Ernest F. Brickell )  
Serial No. 09/753,257 )  
Filed: December 29, 2000 )  
For: A METHOD FOR SECURELY USING )  
A SINGLE PASSWORD FOR )  
MULTIPLE PURPOSES )

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents  
And Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Commissioner:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-23 without prejudice.

Please add the following new claims:

30. A method comprising:

A1 generating a hash from a salt value and input data;  
generating a password from the hash; and